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NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION

This application is considered to be informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) checked below. The period within which to correct the informalities noted below and avoid abandonment is set in the accompanying Office action.

A. A new oath or declaration, identifying this application by the application number is required. The oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.63 in that it:

- ☐ 1. does not identify the residence (e.g., city and either state or foreign country) of each inventor.
- ☐ 2. does not identify the citizenship of each inventor.
- ☐ 3. does not state whether the inventor is a sole or joint inventor.
- ☐ 4. does not state that the person making the oath or declaration:
 - ☐ has reviewed and understands the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration.
 - ☐ believes the named inventor or inventors to be the original and the first inventor or inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.
 - ☐ acknowledges the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.
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- ☐ 7. contains non-initialed alterations (37 CFR 1.52(c)).

B. Applicant is required to provide:

- ☐ 1. A statement signed by applicant giving his or her full name. A full name must include the family name and at least one given name without abbreviation as required by 37 CFR 1.41(a).
- ☐ 2. Proof of authority of the legal representative under 37 CFR 1.44.
- ☐ 3. An abstract in compliance with 37 CFR 1.72(b).
- ☐ 4. A statement signed by applicant giving his or her complete post office address (37 CFR 1.33(a)).

C. ☒ **OTHER:** signatures for joint inventors are missing from oath and declaration.